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This requests a ☒ Continuation or ☐ Divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of prior application:

Appln. No.: 09/459,712

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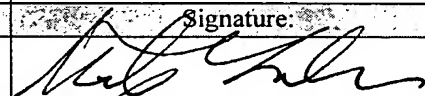
Filed on: December 13, 1999

Examiner: Ardin H. Marschel

Entitled: HYBRIDIZATION DETECTION METHOD AND BIOCHIPS

- ☒ 1. The entire disclosure of the pending, prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.
- ☐ 2. Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete prior application as filed.
- ☐ 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application, 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1). **DELETE** the following inventor(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ 4. Submitted herewith is a copy of the signed Oath/Declaration from the prior application.
- ☐ 5. Small entity status was established in the prior application, and is still proper and desired.
- ☐ 6. A \_\_\_\_\_ month Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently in the prior application.
- ☒ 7. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 08-1480.
- ☒ 8. A check in the amount of \$ 810.00 for filing and assignment fees is submitted herewith.
- ☒ 9. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: This application is a Continuation of nonprovisional U.S. Application No. 09/459,712 filed December 13, 1999.
- ☐ 10. Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- ☒ 11. The prior application is assigned of record to: Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd.
- ☒ 12. Priority is claimed based on U.S. Application No. 09/459,712 filed December 13, 1999, which claims priority to Japanese Application Nos. 10-355956 and 11-328352 filed on December 15, 1998, and November 18, 1999, respectively.
- ☒ 13. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- ☒ 14. Other: Information Disclosure Statement

THE FILING FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

				Basic Fee:	\$ 770.00
Total Claims	10	20 =	0	× \$18 =	0.00
Independent claims	1	3 =	0	× \$86 =	0.00
<b>REED SMITH LLP</b> 3110 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 1400 Falls Church, VA 22042 Phone: 703-641-4200 Fax: 703-641-4340				Multiple Dependent Claim (Add \$280.00):	0
				Subtotal:	770.00
				50% Reduction if Small Entity Status:	0
				Total:	770.00
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